

**Vermontville Village
Council Meeting Minutes
Bridge Call-In**

Number: 425-436-6389 then enter Access Code: 770753

August 13, 2020 7p.m.

I. Call to Order- 7:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call – Kimberlee Kenyon, Ira Flowers, Gary Goris, Sue Villanueva, Jason Sheridan. Clerk Becky Austin and Treasurer Amy Peters. Sandy Hosey joined at 7:07 p.m. Absent- DPW Supervisor Chris Rumsey

III. Pledge of Allegiance – said thru call

IV. Public Comment- Michelle Trowbridge Whitman – Talked about the food being left in boxes at the community center, she will be getting another box made to store more goods for the public. Thanks to all who have donated and are utilizing this resource, Jamie Hansen – at second public comment made council aware that we have a dead spot in our community that cannot get internet services, Sue Villanueva – commented on the blindspots caused by people parking too close to the corner of S. Main and First st., checking into the purchase of more speed signs to slow people down and made the comment that the Village did not purchase the garage on Maple Manor the Township did.

V. Consent Agenda Items

ALL ITEMS LISTED UNDER ITEM 5, CONSENT AGENDA, ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION IN THE FORM LISTED BELOW. THERE WILL NOT BE SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THAT ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

- A. Minutes – July 9th, 2020 Council Meeting and Special Meeting of August 5, 2020
- B. Bills for Approval – July 10, 2020 to August 13, 2020
- C. Revenue and Expenditure Report for the 7 Months Ended July 31, 2020
- D. Treasurer Report

Motion to accept consent agenda by Gary Goris, supported by Ira flowers. Ayes – K.Kenyon, I.Flowers, G.Goris, S.Villanueva and J.Sheridan. Absent S.Hosey

VI. Reports from Council Committees

- A. Insurance/Legal/Finance

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- a. CPA Laurie Tamez has submitted a list of her hourly costs and what training is left to be done in the office.

Motion by Kimberlee Kenyon, Supported by Sandy Hosey, to open checking, savings and or CD accounts as necessary with MSU Credit Union. Having Treasurer Amy Peters, Clerk Becky Austin and Village President Jason Sheridan all as signers on the account. All Ayes

Motion by Gary Goris, supported by Ira Flowers, to accept the engagement letters to the USDA for the following – CPA Laurie Tamez, Bakertilly municipal advisors for bonds and Fleis and Vanderbrink engineers for the Water Project 841710. All Ayes

B. Water & Sewer

C. Grants

D. Ordinance

- a. Scheduling a meeting

- b. Farm animal update – zoning is making changes on their end to allow for the new restrictions in 42.1 farm animals

Planning Commission and Ordinances will be collaborating to hold a public hearing on changes that need to be made to allow livestock in areas zoned RS1 and RS2

E. Streets/Drains/Sidewalks

F. Fire – cancelled July meeting

G. Buildings & Grounds

Motion by Ira Flowers, supported by Sandy Hosey, to purchase carpet and vinyl, not to exceed \$4,200 and to include one extra box of carpet squares and one extra box of vinyl plank from Jewetts carpet to replace the flooring in 121 eastside drive. All Ayes

H. Technology

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Motion by Sandy Hosey, supported by Kimberlee Kenyon, to accept recommendation to approve the purchase of internet for the Community Center at a rate of \$15. All ayes

Motion by Kimberlee Kenyon, supported by Sandy Hosey, to purchase equipment not to exceed \$400 to establish a mesh network to make the wifi from the Community Center strong enough to cover the park area as well. All Ayes

Motion by Sandy Hosey, supported by Gary Goris, to approve up to \$2,000 for switches in the office and DPW garage. All Ayes

Motion by Jason Sheridan, supported by Sandy Hosey to pay \$7 per month for the conference call in services to provide more options. All Ayes

I. Health & Safety

a. Police Stats

b. Contract for 2021 with Eaton County Sheriffs dept. see attached

Motion by Ira Flowers, supported by Sue Villanueva to table discussion about contract with Eaton county until Council meets with the Sherriff to negotiate for services. All Ayes

Motion by Gary Goris, supported by Sue Villanueva, to accept recommendation to pay the office staff to clean the Community center as needed, at their rate of pay, to be paid out of the Community Center budget. Revisions to time sheets will be made to make tracking of this easier. All Ayes

J. Personnel

Motion by Sandy Hosey, supported by Gary Goris, to accept recommendation to move pay days for employees from Friday to Thursday. All Ayes

VII. DPW Report

a. **Maple Manor Drive and E main asphalt repairs to be done in mid-August by Lakeland Asphalt.**

b. **Water project is moving along good, checklist items are being completed and we are on track to have project out for bid by this fall.**

VIII. Report from Planning and Zoning Boards

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X. President Report

- a. Assign councilmembers to water/sewer committee and health and safety
Sandy Hosey – added to water/sewer, Kimberlee Keyon – added to health and safety
- b. Remove councilmembers from ordinances and grants
Sandy Hosey – removed ordinances, Kimberlee Kenyon – removed from grants

XI. Old Business

XII. New Business – discussion was had about food being left on the stairs of the community center and the need for another donation box.

Motion by Ira Flowers, supported by Sue Villanueva to allow the installation of another donation box to be located in front of the Community Center. All Ayes

XIII. Public Comment

XIV. Adjournment – 8:30 p.m.

Motion by Sue Villanueva, supported by Sandy Hosey to adjourn. All Ayes

Submitted by Becky Austin, Clerk